

# REVELATION - CHURCH READINESS & MISSION PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Desperate? 2/10?

Rev 3:17 "knowest not that thou art"

	TO THE ANGEL OF THE CHURCH	PROBLEM/ISSUE	OF EPHESUS	IN SMYRNA	IN PERGAMOS	IN THYATIRA	IN SARDIS	IN PHILADELPHIA	OF THE LAODICEANS
<b>INTRODUCTION (these things sayeth ..who ..)</b>		AUTHORITY & POWER	2:1 holds 7 stars & walks mid 7 candlesticks	2:8 is the first & last. Was dead, now alive	2:12 has sharp sword with 2 edges	2:18 has eyes like fiery flame, feet as brass (from furnace?)	3:1 has 7 Spirits of God & 7 stars	3:7 is holy, true, has key that opens & shuts doors	3:14 is the Amen, the faithful & true witness, the beginning of the creation of God
<b>STRENGTHS (commendations, positives - to build on)</b>									
	Works & labour	WORKS	+ Known		+ Known	+ Known			
	Endurance - not fainted	MOTIVATION	+ Known						
	- patience	MOTIVATION	+ Known			+ Known			
	Can't bear evil-doers	WORKS	+ Known						
	The word	DOCTRINE	+ Kept						
<b>OPPORTUNITIES (external - to apprehend)</b>									
	Hear (& obey) what the Spirit says to the Churches	PRIORITY	Note: My sheep know my voice (related to Mat 25)						
<b>WEAKNESSES (criticisms, negatives - to eliminate)</b>									
	First love	PRIORITY	- Left first love						
	First works	PRIORITY	- Not doing the first works						
	Dead (cold?) - note Mat 24 (wickedness abounds. NWO)	WORKS					-		
	Lukewarm - in works	WORKS							- Contented
	- in zeal	MOTIVATION							- Complacent
	- in knowledge (ignorant)	IGNORANCE							- Ignorant
	Wretched, miserable, blind, naked	IGNORANCE							- Desperate
<b>THREATS (external - risks to minimise &amp; manage)</b>					Where Satan dwells/seat	Some known depths of Satan			
	Tribulation & poverty (devil active. Prison etc)	MOTIVATION		+ Fear not. Be faithful unto death.					
	Pressure to deny the faith	MOTIVATION			+ Not denied	+ Not denied		+ Not denied	
	Pressure to deny the name	MOTIVATION						+ Not denied	
	False apostles (from Satan as angels of light)	DOCTRINE	+ Found out						
	False prophets (from Satan as angels of light)	DOCTRINE				- Jezebel			
	False doctrine (from Satan as angels of light)	DOCTRINE	+ Hate Nicolaitans ( ritual/physical prositution?)		A few - doctrine of Balaam - (greed, perversion)				
	Lying Jews (from Satan as angels of light)	DOCTRINE							
<b>CHARACTER</b>			Disobedient & Disloyal	Good	OK but infected	OK but infected	Dead	Infected	Lukewarm works
<b>SWOT SUMMARY</b>		Notice these are growth strategies							
	Hear & Obey the Word & Spirit - wake up & move.	CALL & COMMITMENT	Must pass fitness tests of Mat 25 & Rev Ch 2&3. Realisation of God's perspective - prodigal son. Faithful unto death. If not - spued and rejected.						
	Goats running (lies, false doctrine-apostles-prophets)	ENEMY WITHIN	Not ignorant of Satan's devices (lies, false messengers, false doctrine, NWO etc)						
	Repent (of problems) in humility & be strengthened	REPENTANCE	2:5		2:16	2:21-2	3:3		3:19 with zeal
	Unity - vertical & lateral (SWOT is for all)	UNITY	7 = complete, branches on candleabra. Spirit addressing "churches". Jerusalem? These 7 are illustrative case studies. All 7 held in His hand.						
	Return to first love & do the first works	PRIORITY							
	Led & controlled by the Holy Spirit (Word, prayer, unity)	MOTIVATION							
	Separation from world and leaven within	SANCTIFICATION							
	Overcome (How? - ** see below re Rev 12:11 & 1Jn 5:8)	KINGDOM ADVANCE	2:7	2:11	2:17	2:26	3:5	3:12	3:21
	Grow (inc. build on strengths, eliminate weaknesses & overcome threats, glory degrees, image conformance)	GROWTH				2:19 last works to be more than the first			
<b>REWARDS FOR OBEDIENT OVERCOMERS</b>		(note mission outcomes. Also heaven/earth nexus? all Churches? only future? Growth-based? What if no growth?)							
	Eat of tree of life in paradise		Said here						
	No second death			Said here					
	Eat hidden manna				Said here				
	White stone with a new name				Said here				
	Rule the nations				Said here				
	Morning star					Said here			
	Pillar in the temple					Said here			
	Sit on throne							Said here	Said here
<b>NOTE CONTEXT:</b>		BEFORE CH 2&3	1:1 Provided for servants (implies service), 1:3 Way of blessing if hear & keep, 1:6 For Kings & Priests, 1:16 Jesus involved - right hand - angels, building His Church						
		AFTER CH 2&3	4:1 See & be transported into heaven, 4:2 Throne perspective (ties in with Mat 25) 4:6 Sovereignty action						
		To Mat 24 & 25	Virgins (Spirit & light) - NO OIL		Talents - NO WORK		Sheep & goats - NO SEPARATION		NO KNOWLEDGE
<b>NOTE GROWTH STRATEGY (journey) PHASES:</b>		CALL	COMMIT	TRAIN	ENGAGE				
<b>NOTE GOD's 3 POWER DRIVERS (Rev 12:11 &amp; 1Jn 5:8)</b>		BLOOD		WORD (living water)		SPIRIT	Note similarity to creation steps in Gen CH 1. New creation!		